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Dear Sir:

Because this Information Disclosure Statement is filed prior to receipt of a First Office Action on the Merits for the above-captioned application, a fee for filing this statement should not be due. If, however, it is determined that a fee is due, any fees that may be due in connection with filing this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1213.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 to inform the Patent Office of all references known by Applicant or Applicant's representative that may be material to the examination of the subject application, Applicant's representative hereby provides this Information Disclosure Statement that is prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98. Form PTO-1449 (31 pages) is provided herewith in connection with the above-captioned application. With the exception of item MW mentioned below, copies of the references listed on the Forms PTO-1449 are not provided herewith as they have been previously provided or cited by the Examiner in connection with U.S. Serial Nos. 09/44,762,



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09/135,988 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,152,358), 08/757,046, (now U.S. Patent No. 5,876,995), and 08/597,274 which are relied upon for an earlier filing date in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §120.

Item MW, U.S. Patent No. 6,232,107 which is denoted with a double asterisk (\*\*) on the Form PTO 1449, is provided herewith in the English language. Hence, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, as amended effective March 16, 1992, no further explanation of the listed items is necessary.

Applicant also makes known to the Examiner the following U.S. and International applications, which are commonly owned and/or have one or more inventors in common.

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08/597,274	02/06/96
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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the foregoing references and make them of record in the file history of the above-captioned application.

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